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1. a. The airfield was occupied by army units with red-bordered black epaulets and crimson-bordered black epaulets on 2 January 1950.

About 300 troops were observed in a formation at the field.

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2. The second and third floors of the Honig Department Store on Bismarckstrasse were cleared of Soviet supplies on 22 January 1950.
3. a. Officers belonging to the Hindenburg Kaserne rocket launcher unit were repatriated with their families to the Soviet Union (allegedly to Petsamo) in mid-January 1950. They were replaced by several bachelor officers who were billeted in the kaserne.
b. It was learned that Col Petrenko was CO of the unit in the former Krueger Kaserne, with which Maj Nikolaishik had been previously identified*.
4. a. A large number of officers were observed in Schwerin between 28 and 31 January 1950. It was said that about 1,000 officers were in town to attend conferences.

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Comment:

* Col Petrenko is not the same Maj Petrenko who is in Guestron.

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a. An artillery unit with rocket launchers was observed in the Hindenburg Kaserne, Schwerin in January 1949 (C). The repeated observation of such a unit indicates that the 10th Gds RL Bn of the 94th Gds Itz Rifle Div may be located in the kaserne.

b. A Maj Nikolaishik was identified as supply officer of a Krueger Kaserne unit (to which a Maj Grishin also belonged) in July 1949. A Col Petrenko is unknown in Schwerin.

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